IN THE HIGH COURT OF GUJARAT AT AHMEDABAD

SPECIAL CIVIL APPLICATION No 8613 of 2001

For Approval and Signature:

Hon'ble MR.JUSTICE KUNDAN SINGH

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1. Whether Reporters of Local Papers may be allowed to see the judgements? : NO

2. To be referred to the Reporter or not? : NO

3. Whether Their Lordships wish to see the fair copy of the judgement? : NO

4. Whether this case involves a substantial question of law as to the interpretation of the Constitution of India, 1950 of any Order made thereunder? : NO

5. Whether it is to be circulated to the Civil Judge? : NO

SIDDHI TANAN MEHTA

Versus

REGIONAL PASSPORT OFFICER

Appearance:

MR AM PAREKH for Petitioner No. 1
MR DN PATEL, Sr. Central Govt. Standing Counsel for Respondent.

CORAM : MR.JUSTICE KUNDAN SINGH

Date of decision: 28/09/2001

ORAL JUDGEMENT

Rule. Mr. D.N. Patel, learned Sr. Central Government Standing Counsel appears on behalf of the

respondent and waives service of rule on behalf of the respondent.

2. This petition has been filed for a direction to the respondent to issue passport urgently under "Tatkal Scheme." It is stated by the learned counsel for the petitioner that the petitioner has already made an application on 13-9-2001 before the respondent to issue passport urgently under the aforesaid scheme. But the respondent authority has not decided the application of the petitioner and has not issued the passport till the date. Therefore the present petition is filed.

3. In the facts and circumstances of this case, this petition is being disposed of finally by directing the respondent to consider and decide the aforesaid application dated 13-9-2001 filed by the petitioner for issuance of passport urgently under "Tatkal Scheme" in accordance with law as expeditiously as possible preferably within a period of 15 days from the date of presentation of a certified copy of this order. The respondent authority would be at liberty to pass appropriate order with regard to costs of this proceedings.

4. Rule is made absolute to the aforesaid extent, with no order as to costs. D.S. is permitted.

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